

# BOROUGH OF TYRONE HOUSING REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE



The County of Blair Redevelopment and Housing Authority is currently administrating the Housing Rehabilitation Program on behalf of the Borough of Tyrone. This brochure will provide you with a brief overview of the grant eligibility requirements, terms and conditions. For more information please call:

County of Blair Redevelopment Authority - 814-944-1559  
Borough of Tyrone - 814-684-1330

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Any residential owner-occupied structure within the confines of the Borough of Tyrone shall be potentially eligible for the Borough's Housing Rehabilitation program if the owner-occupants meet the eligibility criteria set forth below.

1. The applicant must be an individual or family owning a single residential dwelling and occupying the same for at least twelve (12) months prior to the filing of an application for rehabilitation assistance.
2. The applicant must qualify with the current Section 8 income limits based upon family size.
3. Applicants that have received assistance under the Borough CDBG or HOME housing rehabilitation assistance within five (5) years of application to the Program are not eligible for assistance.
4. Applicants shall receive assistance according to the following order of preference:
  - 1) Very-low Income Elderly (age 62 and above) and disabled households.
  - 2) Very-low income non-elderly and non-disabled residents
  - 3) Low-income elderly (age 62 and above) and disabled
  - 4) Low-income non-elderly and non-disabled residents
  - 5) Within the given preference categories, special consideration may be given to those properties deemed to be in greatest need as determined by the housing rehabilitation specialist of Blair County Redevelopment Authority. Such recommendations shall be reviewed and approved by Borough Council.

## GRANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Assistance shall be provided in the form of 100% deferred forgivable loan. The term "grant" is used for ease of usage and the fact that no repayment is required except in those instances when forgiveness is terminated.

1. Grant minimum amount of assistance shall be \$1,000.
2. Grant Maximum amount of assistance initially provided shall be \$24,999.
3. Change Orders shall be issued at the judgment of the Redevelopment Authority and must receive prior authorization by the Borough Council.
4. Waiver of grant change order limits shall be granted on a case-by-case basis and must receive prior authorization by Borough Council.
5. The grant shall be forgiven over a five-year period on the first monthly anniversary date of the filing of the grant agreement (reduced by one-sixtieth - 1/60). The grant will continue to reduce at this rate as long as the property remains the principle residence of the applicant. On the fifth anniversary on the filing the grant shall be forgiven.
6. The portion of the grant that has not been forgiven shall be refunded to the Borough if the property ceases to be the principle residence of the applicant property owner during the five-year term of the grant. This shall include those cases where the property is sold, transferred, conveyed, or equitable interest is extinguished, or if the owner moves to a different property and/or ceases to use the rehabilitated house as his or her primary place of residence.